Mrs. Ava Willing Astor's Plans Marked Resemblance Between Her and Mrs. J. Rich Steers Mrs. Dandridge Spots-

wood of New York and London. Furons the other day after a sojourn of of time in travel until Miss Muriel Astor several months in this country. She has grown up and is ready to be intro-

London she will go to Scotland.

SOCIETY'S YOUNG MATRONS Island. Her home when in New York was at the Hotel Gotham was at the Hotel Gotham

One of Mrs. Astor's last appearances in society before the date fixed for her sailing was at a dinner given in her honor by Mrs. Benjamin S. Guinness of 8 Washington Square. Mrs. Guinness and Mrs. Astor have been intimate friends for some years. Although Mrs. Astor has lived much abroad during the last few years, she still regards herself as a New Yorker and this city as her home, although she Mrs. Ava Willing Astor returned to also expects to spend a certain amount was accompanied by her daughter. Miss duced to society,

Muriel Astor, and after a short stay in Mrs. J. Rich Steers of 37 East Sixtyseventh street is another of society's Mrs. Astor's hair has grown quite white young matrons who have prematurely ed the youthful freshness of her ap- white hair. She and Mrs. Astor are often carance contrasts strikingly with it thought to resemble each other strikingly. While she was in this country she spen! They occupied boxes opposite each other some weeks with her brother at Newbort at a recent performance of "The Girl hen went to the Adirondacks, and later in the Train" and the resemblance plainly spent some time with friends on Long made its impression on the audience.



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MRS. J. RICH STEERS.

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See a substitive and making dates with friends as does the luncheon, and less formally. We call up acquaintances and relatives, ask them to meet us at breakfast instead of at lunch, sit perhaps three-quarters of an hour over the meal and then have

Women Welcome the Hotel Meal at 10.30

"Can't you breakfast with me at Blank's to-morrow at 10:30? Good. Don't fail me." breakfast dishes but no sweets."

This is a sample of the messages passing between returned New Yorkers in town for a few days or for the season. It marks a new fashion which hotel and restaurant men say they do not remember having noticed before.

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breakfast at almost any hour up to noon. but I do admit, for I have tried it, that but for women dwellers of apartments, a positive foe to leanness; or, to put it and private houses to make and keep differently, that eating three substantial appointments for hotel and restaurant meals a day is bound to keep one up to breakfasts is out of the ordinary. But "Ordinarily leat a good breakfast about

The reason for the new fashion? There are two, as explained by an authority. This woman was breakfasting with a friend in a Fifth avenue restaurant between 10 and 11 when the husband of a neighbor not yet returned to town the fifth of this coffee. He looked survey that the very next morning, when by telephone I was asked to meet my cousin at 10:30 for breakfast at a hotel restaurant. I began to take myself in and to get rid of some of the unwelcome lifteen pounds. Could I continue to breakfast at 10:30 or so and cut out lunched. I would not have to bother about prised

Servants not in yet?" he hazarded chance I stopping to greet the two ladies.

taking to the habit, which after all is a room and to lunch at the usual hour modified pattern of the French custom of the York women keeping house have not so far as I know ever before made taking a hearty meal called breakfast much of lafe restaurant breakfasts. We about noon. So far Americans have have had to depend on the men and on not fallen into this habit. No matter when strangers for that they breakfast or what they eat or do . For the time being these new style.

sets in, which in Sew York is directly after the holidays, there is a reason for these elaborate luncheons. From January to Easter formal luncheons followed by bridge are one of the most popular forms of recreation. It is not likely that this winter at least there will be any hange in this part of the programme but from now until the holidays the newer (ashion will have a chance to become)

anding it for one thing a great time saver workshop is at a distance from communithere is and has been for some time a ties of any considerable size, hence he let of talk about shopping over the tele- inaturally and almost insensibly becomes phone. Well if can't be done satisfac-sorily. Unless one is absolutely crippled it's far better to make the rounds of the shaps compare importations and prices; he is miserly or lacking in funds but he-see for crosself what the various dealers.

Almost every New York woman will He becomes perforce a bricklayer car-Almost every New York woman will agree to those also that this is the season of all dhere when housekeepers in particular fini themselves up to their eyes with commissions for the house and tamily it is equally certain that few are the conveniently can leave their it does much before to A.M., or that few missions to crolong interviews with dealers

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three or four uninterrupted hours ahead of us for shopping, for naturally after a hearty forenoon breakfast it makes no difference whether one gets anything more to eat until the tea hour or not.

"Can't you breakfast with me at Blank's to:30 breakfast, which includes coffee and breakfast, which includes coffee and breakfast, which includes coffee and breakfast disks but no sweets.

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that the fashion is really inaugurated and for the time being is having a vogue there can be no doubt.

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The reason for the new fashion? There there is a contained by an authority. The reason for the new fashion? There is a contained by an authority is relationed by the second for the new fashion. eon I would not have to bother about normal weight; and while I have the chance I am making a good deal of custom which really is an admirable one "Oh, yes, but we find it a great time saver, for one thing, to breakfast like this when we have many shopping engagements aheard of us."

The man nedded without understanding at all what was meant and passed on.

A woman to whom the remark was repeated understood it at once. "Exactly, the added, "that is why many of us are taking to the habit, which after all us a custom which really is an admirable one. "I am surprised to find," the manager of a fashionable restaurant told an inquirer, "that of late the forencon orders from parties of New York ladies are practically a duplicate of a man's break fasting as late as it here were mostly guests of the hotel or mere strangers though women alone, that is are api to have a light breakfast served in their room and to lunch at the usual hour.

not fallen into this habit. No matter when they breakfast or what they eat or do not eat for breakfast, the next meal is generally slated for 1 or 2 o'clock and is a repast topped off with a rich dessert and bon bons.

"After the formal entertaining season ects in, which in New York is directly after the holidays, there is a reason for the formal entertaining season for the time being these new style for the time being the style for the time being the style for the formation and the styl

The Versatile Farmer. From the Crasteman

As a matter of fact the farmer is one For invaelf, Lamenjoying it immensely, be called "all round mea." His roofless of the very few men who are qualified to



Photo by Aime Dupont

MRS. AVA WILLING ASTOR



resemblance between the two. from a three months stay in Europe, Europe as Mrs. Spotswood. She goes the late Mrs. J. A. G. Beales, who was Roosevelt, and who was one of Mrs. Sport Catholic layman Mrs. Steers is the wife impressed by Mrs. Spotswood's hear of the second son of the late Henry when she first went to London and store

in town at 113 East Seventy-first street. Miss Marjorie & Turnbull before to Her husband is a Virginian. Mrs. marriage. Last summer she was an Spotswood was Miss Katherine von of the conspicuous young marrors. Wolf before her marriage and lived for society at Newport. Mrs. Cerrichs, ... many years in Rye with her uncle, who Mrs. Spotswood, is a blonde of ir g. is a well known physician there. Her figure. Her husband is a son of Charles family comes from Germany

came almost as quickly as that of the Thirty-second street

which evidently did not know either Countees Zichy who before her first man of the ladies but were struck by the riage was . Mabel Wright He blond colorin, so suggests the Countree Mrs. Steers, who has just returned Few American women are so popular lives for half the year at her country place | London almost every year with her friend Portchester. She is a daughter of Mrs. E. Reeve Merritt, who was Miss Length the only daughter of the late Eugene wood's first friends in New York The Kelly, well known as a banker and Roman | ate King Edward VII. was very much much time in her society.

Mrs. Dandridge Spotswood lives when Mrs. Charles de Loosey Celrichs v. M. Oeirichs and a brother of Harry Ox Mrs. Spotswood's reputation as a beauty richs. Their town house is as 3t Fa-



MRS. DANDRIDGE SPOTSWOOD

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English people of means buy the best there is in English leather bays than which there is nothing better. Their trunks boxes, they call them are calculated to endure a litetime. There is almost no wear out in them. There is almost no wear out in them.

Having bought the best there is the Englishman and bless you the English woman too sees no reason for getting new and shiny luggage as soon as the gloss has worn off what they have. To their thinking those signs of wear and tear are a strick. I always have a diagram of it arrived to the strick of the strick o sort of diploma of travel. New and shiny bags and boxes are the mark of the newly rich, the inexperienced, the unseasoned certain places. They or their predecestourist taking his first journey. Old sors have gone in just those places for globe trotters are as proud of the scars five, ten, fifteen years. The side pockets on their luggage as a veteran is of his contents as a potato patch to yield potation. medals

But in this country only a few of the most confirmed travellers have followed bag is familiar and dear to me. this excellent custom. In the first place comparatively few Americans would buy comparatively few Americans would buy hand luggage that was good enough to last as the English kind does. American women in particular have not bought the solid, substantial bags affected by their English sisters. There are several reasons why they haven't. why they haven't.

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The best of these is that American women carry their own handbags far more than English women do. In this country there isn't the ever present porter willing to take charge of hand luggage for half an hour if necessary, and then stow it safely in the rack on the trains. stow it safely in the rack on the train or in the cab, all for four cents. And as American women are thus driven to do their own portering to a considerable extent, it is natural for them to look for a bag of light weight.

"And think of the bands besides my own country "And think of the bands besides my own that have lifted that bae! Exyptical donkey boys, Canadian habitants Souther and darkles. French bonnes, Greek guarder to fill a good rived town bost follows that have lifted that bae! Exyptical donkey boys, Canadian habitants souther that have lifted that

A SHINY LUGGAGE FASHION

Woman bigs a new bag and is broad of its newness. And now now this English magazine intimates that the British woman is going to do likewise.

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A woman who has travelled profity industriously for more than tifteen years was lamenting the other day over an item in an English magazine. It was to the effect that disreputable looking luggage was going out of fashion.

Everybody who has travelled abroal knows that over there except among American tour, its, it has been quite the proper thing to carry worn and battered luggage. All that was necessary was that it should show sizes of having been for their enthusiasm about serving me.

lated to endure a lifetime. There is almost no wear out in them. They are practically indestructible in a land where trunks are actually lifted, carried and set down instead of being catapulted from one resting place to another.

Having bought the jest there is the familiar weight!

"My bag and I have grown old tray-elling regether. We have been together in fair weather and foul, in many climes. We have gone together down instead of being catapulted from one resting place to another.

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contents as a potato patch to yield pota-toes or a cornfield corn.

"Every square inch of the inside of my

In the last few years they have in-have carried that bag. "Perhaps the senitary granks will